DRAFT STATUS REPORT: Highlights of Neighborhood Plan and Statistics

2009

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

Vision

Build upon existing neighborhood resources, including Licton Springs Park and the Wilson-Pacific site, to create a center or "heart" for the Aurora-Licton community, a focus around which the City's proposed residential urban village can grow and thrive. Make it easier, safer, and more pleasant for neighborhood residents to cross, walk along, and shop on Aurora Avenue, while respecting Aurora Avenue's regional transportation and commercial role.

Key Strategies

- A. <u>Designate the Aurora-Licton Residential Urban Village</u> Provide guidance about zoning changes to improve land use in the area based on the vision of the Aurora-Licton Residential Urban Village.
- B. Develop a Community Center at the Wilson-Pacific Site Redevelop the former Wilson-Pacific middle school in conjunction with Licton Springs Park. Create a drainage system that: addresses flooding issues; improves water quality; provides wildlife habitat; and supports recreation.
- C. Aurora-Licton Neighborhood Commercial Center(s) Develop a mixed-use focus center to serve the community located adjacent to Aurora Ave. N.
- D. <u>Aurora Avenue North</u> Create pleasant and safe regional highway and commercial corridor that acts as a gateway to Aurora-Licton.
- E. <u>Neighborhood Connections</u> Create safe and attractive pedestrian and bicycle connections to transit, between the urban village and nearby destinations such as North Seattle Community College, and to the proposed Northgate Sound Transit Station.



Licton Springs Park (Photo source: Seattle Parks and Recreation)

Community Investment

- In response to issues identified by a group of community stakeholders, the City launched the Aurora Avenue Land Use Visioning and Urban Design Study to assist in the revitalization of the Aurora Avenue N. corridor between N. 72nd and N. 90th Streets.
- The Libraries for All bond funded the renovation of the Green Lake branch library and construction of the new Northgate, and Greenwood libraries serving the Aurora – Licton Springs area. The bond also funded expansion of operating hours at the Green Lake, and Greenwood libraries.
- A Pro Parks Opportunity Fund grant to the Licton Springs Community Council funded replacement of the Iron Springs walkway removal of invasive plants, and revegetate with native plants as in the Licton Springs Vegetation Management Plan.
- Pro Parks Levy funded planning, design and construction of improvements to Mineral Springs Park. The project created an art walk and renovated the disc golf course.
- The Disc golf area improvements serve to protect the vegetation, enhance the course features, and introduce art elements along the fairways.
- Washington State Department of Transportation completed the SR99 North Corridor Study in partnership with the City in March, 2003. The study proposes a variety of strategies, including limiting peak-hour parking, better transit facilities, and new sidewalks and pedestrian crossings. Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) is responsible for implementing many of the short-term improvements to address accident and congestion hot spots.

Web Links

Neighborhood Plans: WWW.SEATTLE.GOV/NEIGHBORHOODS/NPI/PLANS Neighborhood Status Reports: WWW.SEATTLE.GOV/DPD/PLANNING/ NEIGHBORHOOD_PLANNING/STATUSREPORTS

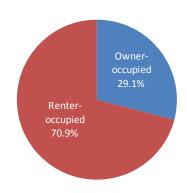
HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT
Source: 2000 Census SF-3 Block Group Estimates, except where noted. Information provided for Aurora-Licton Residential Urban Village

Comprehensive Plan 2024 Growth Targets

	Aurora-Licton Source: Comprehensive Plan	Land Area in Acres	Households (HH)				Employment (Jobs)			
			Existing (2004)	Existing Density (HH/Ac)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/Ac.)	Existing (2002)	Existing Density (Jobs/Ac.)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/Ac.)
		327	2,740	8	500	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

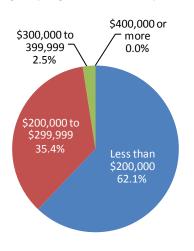
Renter/Owner

for all occupied housing units



Home Value

for specified owner-occupied units



Median home value: -Aurora/Licton Springs: \$187,337 -Seattle as a whole: \$259,600

Note: "Specified owner-occupied units" exclude mobile homes. units (such as condominiums) in multi-unit buildings, and houses on ten or more acres.

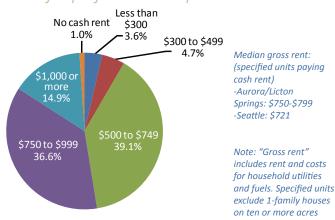
Development Capacity

calculated as of 2007

Housing	2,743 units
Commercial	2,220,448 (square feet)
Jobs	7,401

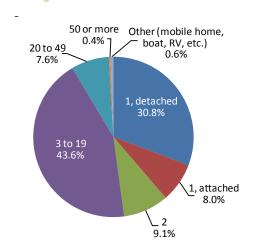
Gross Rent

for specified renter-occupied units

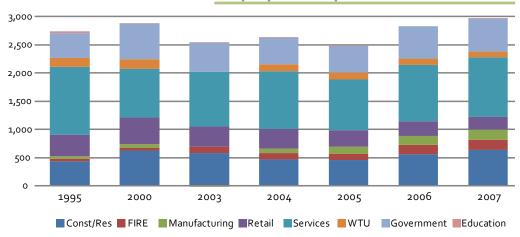


Number of Units in Structure

for all housing units



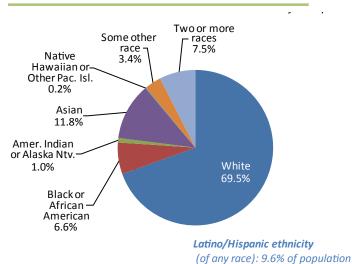
Employment by Sector



DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARYSource: 2000 Census SF-3 Block Group Estimates, except where noted. Information provided for Aurora-Licton Residential Urban Village

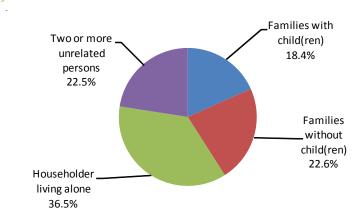
Population	2000	2007*		
*estimate	5,665	5,816		

Race



Household Type

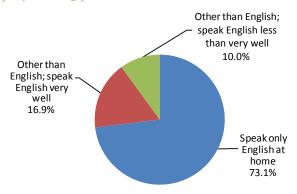
for all households



Note: "Children" refers to related children under 18 years of age

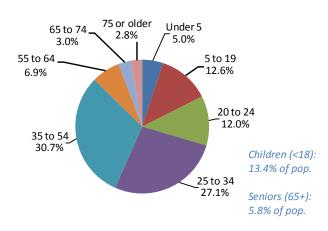
Language Spoken at Home

for persons 5 years and older



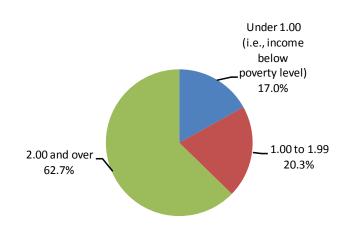
Total speaking language other than English at home: 26.9%

Age



Ratio of Income to Poverty

for persons for whom poverty status is determined

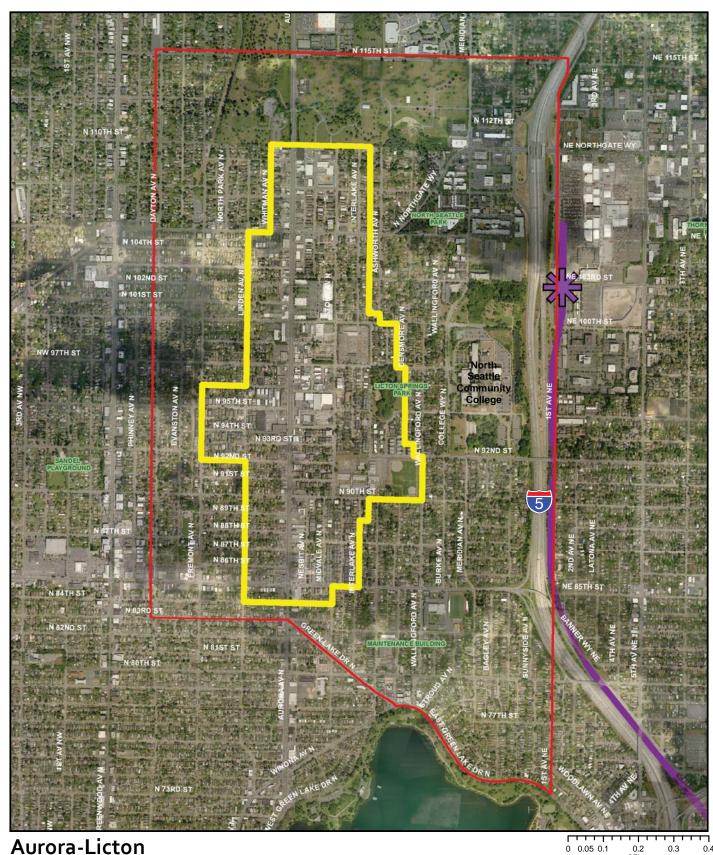


Place of Birth



Entered U.S. within prior 10 years: 59.7% of foreign born; 12.9% of total population

Note: Native includes born in U.S., Puerto Rico and other U.S. island areas, and born abroad to American parents



Aurora-Licton

Urban Village

LINK Light Rail

***** Stations

Neighborhood Plan Area At-Grade / Aerial Tunnel

Aerial Photo: 2007

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